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CATTLE ON FEED

On August 1, 2001, Arizona had 297,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 13 percent from a year ago, and up 2 percent from last month. Placements totaled 44,000 head, 83 percent more than in July 2000. During July, 36,000 head were marketed, an increase of 3 percent from last July.

On August 1, 2001, California had 475,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 13 percent from last August and up 1 percent from last month. Placements totaled 56,000 head, down 7 percent from July 2000. During July, 48,000 head were marketed, up 7 percent from last year.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States, for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head, totaled 10.89 million head on August 1, 2001. The inventory was 7 percent above August 1, 2000 and 18 percent above August 1, 1999. Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.99 million, 4 percent above 2000 and 10 percent above 1999. Net placements were 1.93 million. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 469,000, 600-699 pounds were 444,000, 700-799 pounds were 606,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 467,000. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 2.05 million, 2 percent below 2000 and 3 percent below 1999. Other disappearance totaled 59,000 during July, 34 percent above 2000 and 13 percent above 1999.

Cattle on feed August 1, 2001 in the historic 7 States, for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head, totaled 9.39 million, up 7 percent from the previous year and 19 percent above August 1, 1999. Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.73 million, 4 percent above 2000 and 11 percent above 1999. Marketings during July totaled 1.76 million, 1 percent below 2000 and 3 percent below 1999. Other disappearance during July was 51,000 head, 38 percent above 2000 and 19 percent above 1999.

CATTLE ON FEED: NUMBER ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS) JULY 1, 2001 AND AUGUST 1, 2000 AND 2001, PLACEMENTS, MARKETINGS, AND OTHER DISAPPEARANCE JULY 2000 AND 2001 BY STATE, UNITED STATES, AND HISTORIC 7 STATES

STATE 1/	Number on Feed 2/					Placements			Marketings			Other Disappearance		
	Aug 1, 2001					During July			During July			During July 3/		
	Aug 1, 2000	Jul 1, 2001	Number	as % of 2000	as % of July	2000	2001	2001 as % of 2000	2000	2001	2001 as % of 2000	2000	2001	2001 as % of 2000
	1,000 Head		Percent			1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
*AZ	262	291	297	113	102	24	44	183	35	36	103	1	2	200
*CA	420	470	475	113	101	60	56	93	45	48	107	5	3	60
*CO	1,050	1,110	1,060	101	95	185	195	105	230	240	104	5	5	100
ID	280	320	310	111	97	56	60	107	65	69	106	1	1	100
*IA	330	345	325	98	94	40	35	88	54	54	100	1	1	100
*KS	2,190	2,350	2,420	111	103	510	570	112	470	485	103	10	15	150
*NE	1,840	1,900	1,810	98	95	325	320	98	430	400	93	5	10	200
NM	93	*98	101	109	103	19	13	68	12	9	75	3	1	33
OK	355	390	390	110	100	63	68	108	62	66	106	1	2	200
SD	126	175	154	122	88	16	14	88	33	34	103	1	1	100
*TX	2,720	3,000	3,000	110	100	520	510	98	520	495	95	10	15	150
WA	194	227	229	118	101	49	61	124	57	58	102	0	1	
Other														
Sts	320	335	320	100	96	40	40	100	69	53	77	1	2	200
US	10,180	*11,011	10,891	107	99	1,907	1,986	104	2,082	2,047	98	44	59	134

* Revised

1/ States indicated with an asterisk are the historic seven states preparing monthly estimates of cattle on feed.

2/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

3/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION: BY STATE, JULY 2000-2001

STATE	Milk cows 1/		Milk per cow 2/		Milk production 2/		
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	Percent change from 2000
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million pounds		Percent
AZ	140	140	1,735	1,740	243	244	0.4
CA	1,525	1,590	1,825	1,775	2,783	2,822	1.4
FL	157	154	1,210	1,250	190	193	1.6
ID	355	376	1,820	1,850	646	696	7.7
IL	120	115	1,430	1,405	172	162	-5.8
IN	145	154	1,364	1,405	198	216	9.1
IA	215	208	1,540	1,475	331	307	-7.3
KY	133	130	1,015	1,060	135	138	2.2
MI	302	303	1,620	1,615	489	489	
MN	535	510	1,455	1,425	778	727	-6.6
MO	154	146	1,210	1,055	186	154	-17.2
NM	252	265	1,730	1,790	436	474	8.7
NY	685	673	1,490	1,510	1,021	1,016	-0.5
OH	263	258	1,420	1,420	373	366	-1.9
PA	619	600	1,500	1,510	929	906	-2.5
TX	349	322	1,235	1,210	431	390	-9.5
VT	160	152	1,475	1,495	236	227	-3.8
VA	120	118	1,265	1,270	152	150	-1.3
WA	247	247	1,965	1,955	485	483	-0.4
WI	1,345	1,288	1,480	1,470	1,991	1,893	-4.9
20-State Total	7,821	7,749	1,561	1,555	12,205	12,053	-1.2

1/ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

VEAL PRODUCTION HITS MONTHLY RECORD LOW FOR SIXTH MONTH IN A ROW

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.64 billion pounds in July, down slightly from the 3.65 billion pounds produced in July 2000. July 2000 contained 21 weekdays (including one holiday) and 5 Saturdays. July 2001 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Beef production, at 2.18 billion pounds, was 1 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.94 million head, down 1 percent from July 2000. The average live weight was 1,216 pounds, down 4 pounds from the previous year.

Veal production totaled 16 million pounds, 14 percent below July a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 83,200 head, down 16 percent from July 2000. The average live weight was 311 pounds, 6 pounds above last year.

Pork production totaled 1.43 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 7.45 million head, 1 percent above July 2000. The average live weight was 260 pounds, 1 pound above the previous year.

Lamb and mutton production, at 17 million pounds, was up 8 percent from July 2000. Sheep slaughter totaled 242,200 head, slightly below last year. The average live weight was 140 pounds, up 10 pounds from July a year ago.

January - July red meat production was 25.9 billion pounds, 2 percent below the previous year. Accumulated beef production was 4 percent below last year, veal production was 12 percent below last year, pork was up 1 percent, and lamb & mutton was down 5 percent.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: ARIZONA AND U.S. JULY 2000 AND 2001 AND JUNE 2001 1/

CLASS	July 2000	June 2001	July 2001	July 2001 as % of	
				July 2000	June 2001
1,000 Lbs			Percent		
<u>ARIZONA 2/</u>					
Total Red Meat	33,600	37,000	36,100	107	97
Million Lbs			Percent		
<u>UNITED STATES</u>					
Beef	2,202	2,269	2,176	99	96
Veal	18	16	16	86	101
Pork	1,409	1,457	1,434	102	98
Lamb and Mutton	16	16	17	108	104
Total Red Meat	3,645	3,758	3,643	100	97

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

2/ Breakdown by class not available; includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER: ARIZONA AND U.S. 1/

SPECIES	ARIZONA			UNITED STATES		
	July 2001			January - July 2001		
	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight 2/	Number Slaughtered	Total Dressed Weight 3/	Average Live Weight 2/
	1,000 Head	1,000 Lbs	Lbs	1,000 Head	Million Lbs	Lbs
Cattle	48.0	60,136	1,254	20,474.3	14,858	1,203
Calves 4/				567.6	112	327
Hogs	0.2	51	241	55,292.9	10,784	263
Sheep 4/				1,844.5	130	142

1/ Includes slaughter under federal inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

2/ Average live weights based on unrounded data.

3/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

4/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations but included in U.S. total.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS WORSEN SLIGHTLY

Overall, Arizona range and pasture conditions worsened slightly, being reported in poor to good condition during the month of July. Livestock remained in good condition. Stock water supplies throughout the state remained adequate, while soil moisture remained short. Insect damage was reported as light.

Northern grazing conditions remained as fair to good, considering the lack of substantial summer monsoon rain. High level elevation pastures were reported in fair to good condition. Mid level conditions were reported as ranging from poor to good, remaining relatively constant. Low level conditions worsened slightly, ranging from poor to good. Livestock were reported to be in fair to good condition. Stock water supplies were reported as adequate. Soil moisture conditions were reported as short. Insect damage was reported as light.

Central pasture conditions were reported as poor to excellent, worsening slightly when compared to last month. Ranchers are reporting dry conditions, but cattle are fattening up on the dry feed. Range and pasture conditions were reported as poor to good at high level and mid level elevations. Low level elevations were reported in poor to fair condition. Livestock conditions were reported as good. Stock water supplies were reported as adequate, while soil moisture was reported as short. Insect damage was reported as light.

Southern pastures were reported to be in fair to good condition overall, remaining relatively constant when compared with last month. Conditions were good to excellent at high level elevation, improving over last month. Mid level ranged from fair to good, while low level ranged from poor to fair condition. Livestock condition was reported as good. Stock water supplies were reported as adequate, while soil moisture was reported as short to adequate. Insect damage was reported as none.

PASTURE AND RANGE FEED CONDITION: AUGUST 1, 2001, SELECTED STATES

STATE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	STATE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent						Percent				
AL	1	5	22	57	15	NJ	0	39	31	30	0
AZ	2	13	50	31	4	NM	13	34	39	14	0
AR	12	22	41	24	1	NY	34	37	21	8	0
CA	30	50	20	0	0	NC	2	7	28	54	9
CO	3	8	35	47	7	ND	2	8	29	53	8
CT	0	40	51	9	0	OH	8	17	33	35	7
DE	4	10	26	47	13	OK	22	40	31	7	0
FL	0	0	30	55	15	OR	12	22	46	20	0
GA	3	9	29	49	10	PA	37	37	20	6	0
ID	17	27	50	6	0	RI	0	0	100	0	0
IL	7	26	43	23	1	SC	1	10	29	59	1
IN	6	15	34	40	5	SD	1	10	32	48	9
IA	18	23	32	25	2	TN	1	5	24	59	11
KS	11	20	43	26	0	TX	27	40	24	8	1
KY	3	9	29	46	13	UT	5	24	38	33	0
LA	1	13	38	39	9	VT	6	41	50	3	0
ME	9	57	21	9	4	VA	3	17	41	33	6
MD	4	16	47	22	11	WA	10	55	30	5	0
MA	0	6	41	52	1	WV	0	1	29	60	10
MI	42	31	20	4	3	WI	8	28	29	33	2
MN	11	21	38	28	2	WY	26	22	31	20	1
MS	0	2	18	55	25						
MO	7	18	36	34	5	48 States	14	24	31	27	4
MT	22	24	30	20	4	Prev. Week	11	22	32	31	4
NE	8	21	38	30	3	Prev. Year	13	21	32	29	5
NV	6	27	44	23	0						
NH	14	27	34	25	0						

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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UP 2 POINTS

The Preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received in August was 109 based on 1990-92=100, up 2 points (1.9 percent) from the July Index. Higher prices for lettuce, strawberries, cantaloupes, and wheat were partially offset by lower prices for cattle, onions, peaches, and celery. The seasonal change in the mix of commodities farmers sell often affects the overall index. Higher seasonal marketings of tobacco, cattle, grapes, and sweet corn were offset by lower marketings of wheat, hay, strawberries, and milk.

Compared with August 2000, the All Farm Products Index was 13 points (14 percent) higher. Price increases from August 2000 for milk, broilers, cattle, and corn were partially offset by lower prices for eggs, turkeys, tomatoes, and cotton.

PRICES PAID INDEX UNCHANGED

The August Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) was 123 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index was unchanged from July but 4 points (3.4 percent) above August 2000. Lower prices in August for nitrogen fertilizers, LP gas, feeder cattle and calves, and herbicides offset higher prices paid for complete feeds, feed concentrates, and feed grains.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS: ARIZONA AND U.S., AUGUST 2000 AND 2001 AND JULY 2001

COMMODITY	UNIT	ARIZONA			UNITED STATES		
		August 2000 Entire Mo.	July 2001 Entire Mo.	August 2001 Mid-Mo.	August 2000 Entire Mo.	July 2001 Entire Mo.	August 2001 Mid-Mo.
Upland Cotton 1/	¢ Lb	2/	2/	2/	51.3	40.0	43.5
All Wheat 3/	\$ Cwt				2.41	2.63	2.70
Durum Wheat 3/	\$ Cwt				2.31	2.74	2.74
Winter Wheat 3/	\$ Cwt				2.33	2.61	2.67
All Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	80.50	103.00	99.00	80.50	96.30	97.70
Alfalfa Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	83.90	103.00	99.00	83.90	105.00	105.00
Other Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	68.50	94.00	90.00	68.50	72.50	74.00
Cows 5/	\$ Cwt	39.40	43.40	44.00	39.00	42.90	43.40
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	64.00	71.80	71.40	68.00	75.00	73.70
Beef Cattle 6/	\$ Cwt	63.80	71.50	71.10	65.50	71.90	70.90
Calves	\$ Cwt	103.00	96.70	94.60	106.00	107.00	106.00
All Milk 7/	\$ Cwt	12.30	16.30	16.30	12.60	16.20	16.30

1/ Includes both spot and contract sales.

2/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

3/ Not available for Arizona.

4/ Mid-month.

5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

6/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

7/ Preliminary; before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

U.S. PRICE INDEX SUMMARY TABLE

INDEX 1990-92 = 100	2000		2001	
	July	August	July	August
Prices Received	96	96	107	109
Prices Paid	120	119	123	123
Ratio 1/	80	81	87	89

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.